

**Minutes of the Measham Parish Council Meeting held on  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at 7.00pm at the Board Room**

**Cllr Manifold took the Chair.**

**Present:** Cllrs Oakes, Toon, Banton, Bricknell, Brown, Pallett, Egan, the Clerk, Clerks Assistant, District Cllr Sheahan, County Cllr Jones, PCSO Mark Ball.

**Parishioners** – 10 Parishioners in attendance.

**119/11 Questions from members of the public.**

Parishioners wanted to raise their concerns over the proposed Alcohol License for a shop at Fenton Crescent. As they live in the vicinity they would like the Council to oppose the application as it was felt that this will cause extra traffic and noise in the area, also there is already an issue in the village with underage drinking and there are several existing premises that sell alcohol. Also if food is sold on the premises this could encourage rats which have recently been an issue in that area, it was asked if the council would support the concerns made by the parishioners. A second parishioner asked if residents should have been notified of change of use and concerned how decisions are dealt with at District Council

District Cllr Sheahan added that he had spoken with the Licensing and Enforcement officer at District Council who informed him that representations need to be received by 27<sup>th</sup> July.

**Resolved:** The Council would write a letter of support for the concerns raised by the Parishioners; also Cllr Sheahan would also take up the concerns about how decisions are dealt with at the District Council.

Issues with the increasing amount of articulated traffic using Atherstone & Burton Road was raised.

**Resolved:** Cllr Sheahan added that he had raised this issue in 2008 and Atherstone Road was accepted as a valid scheme and on a waiting list for some kind of speed restriction scheme.

**120/11 Apologies** – Malcolm Hurd – On Holiday, District Cllr Neilson - accepted

**7 Parishioners and Cllr Sheahan left the meeting.**

**121/11 Declarations of Interest.**

**Personal/Prejudicial**

Cllrs Brown, Toon, Manifold and Oakes – Item 6(g) 1 - Donation Request Measham Leisure Centre as they are all members of the Management Committee.

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Cllr Manifold - Item 7 – Planning Matters - License Application to supply Alcohol off the premises at 2 Fenton Crescent as he lives in the vicinity.

Cllr Bricknell - Item 9 – Container Fenton Crescent as he is the owner of the Container

Cllrs Toon - Item 9 – Container Fenton Crescent as he is friends with the owners of the adjacent property.

Cllr Manifold - Item 9 – Container Fenton Crescent as he lives in the vicinity.

Cllrs Banton & Toon - Item 11 –Millennium Garden as they are both representatives of the Development Trust who are major funding contributors to the Garden.

**122/11 Police Matters – Report given by PCSO Mark Ball**

Sarah Webb at District Council has ordered 11 x A4 Alcohol Free Zone signs which will be put in place next Tuesday.

There has been 27 Crimes reported in the last 30 days, 4 of which were ASB and things seem to be quieting down, the police will be going out with the Impact Team on Tuesday.

PCSO Ball was informed that the CCTV is working on the Museum at the Millennium Gardens, if they wished to look at it following the damage caused in the area.

**Resolved:** PCSO Ball will inform PBO Canning.

**Item 10 of the agenda was brought forward.**

**123/11 Pedestrian Crossing Parking Issues**

To discuss addressing parking problems on the pedestrian crossings in the High Street.

PCSO Ball added that following an incident reported by Cllr Bricknell, PBO Canning has asked him to inform the Council that the CCTV cannot be used to endorse such matters; the vehicles have to be physically caught for the police to enforce any action. The Clerk had been asked by Mr Hurd to raise parking on double yellow lines especially at Tesco. It was advised to speak with NWLDC re: Traffic Wardens.

**Resolved:** The Council are to speak with NWLDC about Traffic Wardens and the Police would support the Council with this issue.

**PCSO Ball left the meeting.**

**124/11 Confirm Minutes**

To approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

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**Resolved:** Cllr Toon proposed and Cllr Brown seconded that the minutes of the Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011 were approved and accepted. All in favour.

## **125/11 Parish Clerk Report**

### **Entry sign Planters, Mary's Corner and Redbank Corner.**

Watering of these areas has been quite an issue, but we now have two volunteers with enough hose pipe to water the planters on Mary's and Redbank Corner every other day, with Bob or Adrian doing the entry sign planters weekly. I have been asked if we could supply the volunteers with some expenses and recommend that this is set at £8 per week each during the watering period.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to let the Clerk sort out the expenses.

### **Beat the Bounds 2011**

Date to be set by asset group (CM, JB, TB, DP).

### **Odour from Westminster Industrial Estate**

Members have been updated with recent correspondence from a parishioner about this issue, and I can confirm that John Richardson, Head of Community Services NWLDC has stated the following:

**North West Leicestershire District Council has received in the last few months a small number of resident complaints concerning foul smells in the Measham area. There are a number of potential sources and the District Council through its Environmental Protection team is now investigating these reports to try and identify the source and the cause. At this point in time we cannot release any further information but the District Council will continue to update the Parish Council on progress with regards to this issue.**

### **Leisure Centre Trustee Meeting**

I propose to call a meeting of the Leisure Centre Trustee, prior to the main Parish Council meeting in August at 6.30pm. This meeting will be primarily to sign off the accounts and update on any movement with the compulsory purchase of land for the Ashby Canal.

### **Bank Mandate**

The bank mandate recently completed by members is an out of date model so please sign the new version where your name is.

### **ROSPA Inspections**

The annual inspection of the play areas has been completed by Play safety and I have the report. There are no items raised as High risk, most of the suggested works have already been completed by Bob and Adrian.

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### **Applications to be a Trustee of the RCC**

Applications are invited from members for the Rural Community Council. Anyone wishing to know more please let me know.

### **NHS Rurality consultation**

Following the recent consultation, Leicestershire Primary Care Trust has made the decision to allow the dispensing services to continue at Measham Medical Unit. The Medical Unit send their thanks to the Parish Council for their support.

### **Heart of the Forest Festival**

A letter of thanks for support to the recent Heart of the Forest Festival was read.

### **126/11 Financial Matters**

Statements as at 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011

**(a) To authorise the invoices for the previous month.**

**Resolved:** Cllr Egan proposed and Cllr Pallett seconded payment of invoices.

**(b) Financial transference of budget headings.**

**(c) Financial Summary.**

**(d) Bank Reconciliation.**

**(e) Review of Financial regs and the effectiveness of internal audit.**

**Resolved:** It was proposed and seconded that no changes be made to the financial regulations but to be reviewed at the July meeting in 2012. All in Favour.

**(f) Section 137 Donation Requests (£300 available)**

**Measham Leisure Centre - £770**

**Resolved:** Not quorate following Declarations of Interest to make a decision. – reagenda.

**Measham Welfare Junior Football Club - £480**

It was proposed and seconded to donate the £300 available this quarter. All in favour.

### **127/11 Planning Matters**

Observations made by MPC

**Removal of existing single storey side extension and erection of a single storey side/rear extension, single storey infill rear extension, loft conversion involving the formation of a large dormer window and balcony on rear elevation and roof lights in the front elevation and erection of a front porch. Oak Rise, Ashby Road, Measham.**

No Objections

**Single Storey Rear Extensions, 25 Atherstone Road, Measham.**

No Objections

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**Proposed base Station installation at O2 5260, The Croft off B5002**

**Measham.**

No Objections

Decisions made by NWLDC

**Extension to existing hard standing for storage purposes at AB Produce Ltd, Westminster Industrial Estate, Measham**

Planning Permission

**Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use for the storage of sound and lighting equipment with ancillary office and recording facilities, at land rear of 65 Atherstone Road, Measham.**

Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use.

**Erection of a rear conservatory to replace existing conservatory at 13 Woodfield Cottages, Leicester Road, Measham.**

Planning Permission

Decisions made by LCC

**2009/0720/07 (2009/C088/07): UK COAL LTD – Extraction of Coal and Fireclay b Surface Mine methods and restoration to Agriculture, Woodland and Nature conservation – Minorca Colliery, Sweptstone Road, Measham.**

**(i) That the Appropriate Assessment as set out in Appendix 3 to the report be approved;**

**(ii) That the application be permitted subject to the conditions nos. 1 to 97 and the Notes to Applicant as set out in Appendix 1 to the report and the prior completion of a planning obligation covering:**

- i. Canal contribution of £1,280,000**
- ii. Long term habitat management plan**
- iii. Lorry Routing**
- iv. Community fund**
- v. Ecological Enhancement plan**
- vi. The establishment of a liaison committee**
- vii. Restoration bond**
- viii. Winter water storage lake**
- ix. Provision of clay suitable for lining the Ashby Canal;**

**(iii) That the Board confirms (as required by the Town and County Planning General Development Procedure) Order 1995 (as amended)) that the decision was taken for the reasons as set out in the recommendation of the Chief Executive and having regard to the policies and proposals in the**

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development plan which are relevant to the decision, as set out in the recommendation of the Chief Executive.

District Cllr Sheahan re-entered the meeting.

**128/11 Correspondence**

1. Leicestershire Local Access Forum – Newsletter and Annual Report
2. The Ramblers Association – Newsletter
3. CPRE – Agenda
4. CPRE – Branch News
5. RCC Weekly Bulletin – 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July
6. RCC Village Voice
7. Clerks & Council Direct – July
8. LCC – Branchline Spring 2011

**129/11 Container Fenton Crescent**

To discuss siting of container at Fenton Crescent.

Complaints have been received regarding the siting of the Container on Fenton Crescent.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to look at relocating the container to the area behind the bottle banks at the Leisure Centre. The request is to be made to the Management Committee at their next meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> July.

**130/11 Millennium Green**

- (A) To consider proposal to grass over the beds at the Millennium Garden.
- (B) To consider offer of a bin to combat litter issues.

**Resolved:** The Council agreed that they were happy for the beds to be grassed over and to have the litter bin for a trial period which is to be monitored.

**The meeting was adjourned temporarily for a parishioner to update the council on the CCTV which is working at the museum. The Clerk would inform PBO Canning of this.**

**The meeting resumed.**

**131/11 Grit Bin application Orchard Way/ Blackthorn way.  
To consider an application for a grit bin.**

**Resolved:** It was proposed and seconded to contact Highways to see if the location was suitable. All in favour.

**132/11 Proposal to levy an annual charge for the provision of the Parish Council Website**

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To consider the proposal to levy a charge from April 2012 for the provision of the Parish Council Website at a cost of £375 per year.

The Clerk informed the Council that there is another group looking at the possibility of other options available.

**Resolved:** It was agreed for the Clerk to find out more and to report back for a decision to be made at the next meeting.

**133/11 Standards Committee Vacancies for Parish Representatives**

To receive expressions of interest from members for the vacancies.

**Resolved:** No councillors showed an interest in the Standards Committee vacancy.

**134/11 Report from Groups and Working Parties (for information only)  
Update from the DE12 SK8 project.**

Phill Woodhall had informed the Clerk that the group were looking to hold a meeting within the first 2 weeks of August.

**Riverview Tara**

A 10 week football session is to be held on the playing field. A patch walk had been held and a couple of issues were raised.

**Festival**

Everyone was thanked for their help in the Festival.

**135/11 Co-option**

**To consider applications, ask candidates questions and vote on applications.**

**Resolved:** As there were 3 applications but only 1 applicant present, it was proposed and seconded to co-opt Mr Jason Summerfield onto the Council at the next meeting, the Clerk is to ask the remaining applicants to return to the next meeting for their applications to be discussed. All in Favour

**136/11 Date of Next Meeting**

**The date of Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 7pm at the Boardroom was proposed and seconded. All in favour.**

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